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Mr. Robert L. Clark
1758 South 900 East
Salt Lake City, Utah 84105

Re: Site Inspection, Robert J. Clark, Clark #1 Mine, S/015/053, Emery County, Utah

Dear Mr. Clark:

On June 7, 2002, I visited your mine site in Emery county to investigate some concerns the Bureau of Land Management had after an inspection they made on May 9, 2002. The enclosed inspection report discusses the condition of the site and the problems that need to be corrected. The most pressing issue is that the mine opening needs to be properly secured. We are also concerned about the explosives magazine. If it contains explosives, it needs to be somewhere that is less accessible to the public, and you need to follow other regulations, such as those from the BLM and MSHA. Although the trash needs to be cleaned up and the berm repaired, these are not as urgent.

Please arrange to have these problems corrected as soon as possible. I anticipate it should be possible to secure the portals within the next 30 days or by August 17, 2002. Please let me know if this schedule is not feasible and how soon you will be able to correct the problems. Although the site may be in noncompliance because of the potential danger to the public, I prefer to work with you to resolve these issues rather than writing a notice of noncompliance.

Please call me at 801-538-5261 if you have any questions about these issues or the work that needs to be done.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker
Senior Reclamation Biologist

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Enclosure: Inspection report with photos

cc: Val Payne, Emery County Public Lands Council
Tom Rasmussen, Price BLM
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